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MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

SUBJECT: Conversation with Mr. James Wilderotter

Upon receipt of Brent Scowcroft's August 30, 1975 draft executive order, I called Jim Wilderotter to determine the degree of coordination and time table involved in the request for our comments. The following came out of our discussion.

When I pointed out to Jim that our omnibus regulation was going to be delivered to the White House later today and that it covered the same items found in the draft executive order establishing restrictions on Foreign Intelligence activities as well as additional limitations, he said that both packets should be reviewed simultaneously. Thus any effort to have our review of their material await White House review of our material was rejected.

I told Jim that it struck me that the issue was a"community matter" and that we had intended to treat it as such but were advised by Scowcroft that the White House only wanted the Agency's views. Jim said in fact it was a community matter and that copies had gone to the Department of Defense and the Department of Justice (no copies to Treasury). Wilderotter said he expected the loudest objection to come from the FBI and since Attorney General Levi was out of town until Tuesday that all they wanted by Tuesday was to "take the temperatures of the recipients."

I asked Jim as to the eventual time table for issuance. He said he believed the executive orders were to be promulgated in a "couple of weeks." Jim thought that the assassination report would be a triggering device. They would wait a week or ten days -- until the dust settled and then promulgate the executive orders.

I told Wilderotter that having received the draft on the Saturday of the Labor Day weekend with many of the "best and brightest" on vacation, the degree of coordination would not be as high as we wanted, if our comments were really expected by noon on September 2.

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Jim anticipated a meeting either at the end of the week of September 2 or the following week at which time the various heads of the community would be able to go over the document line by line. I indicated that this was much more reasonable and that we would certainly be able to comply.

Special Counsel to the Director

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TO:

The Director of Central Intelligence, CIA

FROM:

Brent Scowcroft

Attached are two draft Executive Orders being considered for issuance in response to recommendations of the Rockefeller Commission. They concern the establishment of a broader oversight role for PFIAB; a more precise role for NSCIC; and limitations on allowable foreign intelligence activities. Could I ask that you review these and provide comments and/or concurrence by Noon Tuesday, September 2, 1975.

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EXECUTIVE ORDER

REORGANIZING PRESIDENTIAL OVERSIGHT OF THE FOREIGN INTELLIGENCE COMMUNITY

By virtue of the authority vested in me as President of the United States, it is hereby ordered as follows:

## SECTION 1. PRESIDENT'S FOREIGN INTELLIGENCE ADVISORY BOARD

- (a) The President's Foreign Intelligence Advisory Board, hereinafter referred to as "the Board," shall:
- of the United States Government which relate to foreign intelligence and counterintelligence. The Board's review shall include quality of foreign intelligence collection and estimates, organization and management of the Foreign Intelligence Community, and compliance of the Foreign Intelligence Community with applicable provisions of the Constitution and laws of the United States, executive orders, and directives of the National Security Council.
- (2) receive, consider, and make recommendations with respect to matters identified to the Board by the Director of Central Intelligence, or by officials of the Central Intelligence Agency, the Department of Defense, the Federal Bureau of Investigation, and other Government departments, agencies, and organizations of the Foreign Intelligence Community;

- (3) report to the President and, where appropriate, to the Director of Central Intelligence and to the Attorney General, concerning the Board's findings and appraisals, and make appropriate recommendations;
- (4) submit interim and annual reports to the President on its findings and recommendations.
- appropriate recommendations with respect to allegations of improprieties involving agencies within the Foreign Intelligence Community made by employees of such agencies. In this connection, the Director of Central Intelligence, the Director of FBI, and the heads of other departments, agencies and organizations comprising the Foreign Intelligence Community, and the Inspectors General thereof, may seek the advice of the Board with respect to activities or categories of activities which in the light of the statutory authority of any such agency, or any restrictions imposed by Executive Order, may have been or, if implemented, might be improper or appear to be improper. As appropriate, the Chairman of the Board may designate a special panel of the Board to receive and make recommendations to the Board on such allegations.
  - (c) As used in this order, the term "Foreign Intelligence

    Community" means those organizations (or subdivisions thereof) which

collect, disseminate or evaluate foreign intelligence or counterintelligence.

- (d) (1) In order to facilitate performance of the Board's functions, the Director of Central Intelligence, the Director of the FBI, the heads of all other departments, agencies, and organizations comprising the Foreign Intelligence Community, and the Inspectors General thereof, shall regularly:
  - respect to foreign intelligence, counterintelligence, and related matters which the Board may require for the purpose of carrying out its responsibilities to the President in accordance with the terms of this Order;
  - (ii) notify the Board of major issues in the Foreign Intelligence Community;
  - (iii) identify to the Board specific operational issues or matters in which there is a potential for official or public concern;
  - (2) Each Inspector General (or other official with equivalent duties) of the Foreign Intelligence Community shall have the authority to report directly to the Board, after notifying the head of his organization.

- Intelligence Community shall designate in writing to the Board the name of an individual and office to serve as the primary point of contact in support of Board functions. In addition, the Board is authorized to call upon persons at all levels within the Foreign Intelligence Community.
- (e) Members of the Board shall be appointed by the President from among persons outside the Government, qualified on the basis of ability, knowledge, diversity of background and experience, and with a view to achieving continuity. The members shall receive compensation and allowances consonant with law.
- (f) The President shall designate from among the Board a

  Chairman who shall devote substantial time to his duties with the Board.
- Secretary, who shall be appointed by the President. Neither he nor any other staff member shall be employed by or under contract with an agency or department within the Foreign Intelligence Community during their tenure with the Board. The Executive Secretary shall be authorized, subject to the approval of the Board and in a manner consonant with law, to hire and fix the compensation of such additional personnel as may be necessary for performance of the Board's duties.

- (h) Compensation and allowances of the Board, the Executive Secretary, and other members of the staff, together with other expenses arising in connection with the work of the Board, shall be paid from the Executive Office Appropriation Act or from corresponding appropriations made in future years. Such payments shall be made without regard to the provisions of Section 3681 of the Revised Statutes and Section 9 of the Act of March 4, 1909, 35 Stat. 1027 (31 U.S.C. 672 and 673).
- (i) Executive Order No. 11460 of March 20, 1969, is hereby revoked.

## SECTION 2. NATIONAL SECURITY COUNCIL INTELLIGENCE COMMITTEE

- (a) The National Security Council Intelligence Committee, hereinafter referred to as "the Committee", shall be composed of: The
  Assistant to the President for National Security Affairs, Chairman;
  The Under Secretary of State; The Under Secretary of the Treasury;
  The Deputy Secretary of Defense; the Deputy Attorney General; The
  Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff; and the Director of Central
  Intelligence. The Committee shall have a staff headed by an Executive
  Secretary who shall be appointed by the Chairman.
  - (b) The Committee shall:

- (1) conduct a continuing review and assessment of the objectives, conduct, propriety, management, and organization of all activities of the United States Government which relate to foreign intelligence or counterintelligence.
- (2) ensure compliance by all agencies of the Foreign Intelligence Community with the Constitution and laws of the United States, applicable executive orders, and directives of the National Security Council.
- Gommunity on national substantive intelligence needs and provide for a continuing evaluation of intelligence products from the viewpoint of the intelligence consumer.
- (4) receive from the Foreign Intelligence Community, as the Committee may require, all information provided to the President's Foreign Intelligence Advisory Board with the exception of information so provided under Subsection (b) of Section 1 of this Order.
- (5) make recommendations to the National Security Council for appropriate actions on matters within its purview.
- (c) (1) In order to facilitate performance of the Committee's functions, the Director of Central Intelligence, the Director of the FBI,

the heads of all other departments, agencies, and organizations comprising the Foreign Intelligence Community, and the Inspectors General thereof, shall regularly:

- (i) make available to the Committee all information with respect to foreign intelligence, counterintelligence, and related matters which the Committee may require for the purpose of carrying out its responsibilities in accordance with the terms of this Order;
- (ii) notify the Committee of major issues in the Foreign Intelligence Community;
- (iii) identify to the Committee specific operational issues or matters in which there is a potential for official or public concern;
- (iv) provide to the Committee all information, as the Committee may require, that is made available to the President's Foreign Intelligence Advisory Board;
- the FBI, and the heads of other departments, agencies, and organizations comprising the Foreign Intelligence Community and the Inspectors General thereof, may seek the advice of the Committee with respect to activities or categories of activities which in the light of the statutory authority of any such agency, or any restrictions imposed by Executive

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Order, may have been or, if implemented, might be improper or appear to be improper.

(3) The head of each organization in the Foreign
Intelligence Community shall designate in writing to the Committee
the name of an individual and office to serve as the primary point
of contact in support of Committee functions. In addition, the Committee
is authorized to call upon persons at all levels within the Foreign
Intelligence Community.

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#### INTELLIGENCE ACTIVITIES

By virtue of the authority vested in me as President of the United States, it is hereby ordered as follows:

SECTION I. Definitions. As used in this Order the following terms shall have the meanings ascribed to them below:

- (a) "Collection" means the gathering and storage, or the gathering and dissemination, of information.
- (b) "United States" includes the United States, its territories and possessions.
- (c) "Domestic activities" mean any conduct or activity of any kind or description carried on within the United States.
- \*(d) "Foreign intelligence" means the collection, evaluation, or dissemination of information on the capabilities, intentions and activities of foreign nations, organizations or persons.
- (e) "Foreign counterintelligence" means the activities conducted to protect the United States against foreign espionage, sabotage or terrorism.
- (f) "Incidental reception" means the receipt of information about the domestic activities of United States citizens as a result of efforts whose sole purpose is to collect foreign intelligence or foreign counterintelligence or conduct other activities related to foreign intelligence or foreign counterintelligence.

(g) "Foreign intelligence agency" means any department or agency, or division thereof, which is primarily engaged in foreign intelligence or foreign counterintelligence.

SECTION II. The following activities shall not be conducted by any foreign intelligence agency or by any department or agency in the pursuit of foreign intelligence or foreign counterintelligence:

- (a) Collection, evaluation, correlation or analysis, of information concerning the domestic activities of United States citizens; provided, however, that nothing herein shall preclude:
- (1) the collection, evaluation, correlation and analysis of information derived from published sources; or
- (2) the collection, evaluation, correlation and analysis of information on:
  - (i) current employees (including military personnel) or contractor's employees, or applicants for either type of employment, or other persons who require access to classified information, with the consent of the applicant, by the employing or disclosing agency or department.
  - (ii) persons who pose a clear and direct

    physical threat to foreign intelligence agency per-

tion is collected only by the agency threatened and is also promptly transmitted to appropriate law enforcement agencies responsible for protecting the facilities or personnel; or

- (iii) persons resonably suspected of espionage or other illegal activities relating to foreign intelligence or foreign counterintelligence, provided that all such information is also promptly transmitted to the Federal Bureau of Investigation; or
- (iv) persons who have knowingly and voluntarily entered a relationship with an agency, provided that such information is limited to that information supplied voluntarily by such persons, and is collected and used only by the agency with whom a relationship was entered.

Provided further, that, information collected and maintained pursuant to these provisions of this section shall be used only for determining fitness of any person for employment or access to classified information, performing routine functions incident to the agency's responsibilities, or preventing or terminating the infliction of physical damage to foreign intelligence agency facilities or personnel or criminal activities damaging to foreign intelligence or

foreign counterintelligence; and that the record of any investigation Approved For Release 2004/10/28: CIA-RDP80M01066A000800250008-1 conducted for these purposes shall clearly show by whom the

investigation was authorized, the reason for such investigation and the result thereof.

- (3) the transmission of any information concerning criminal activities that is received through incidental reception to any law enforcement agency with appropriate jurisdiction, provided that no such information will be retained by the transmitting agency if prohibited by this order.
- (b) Surveillance by electronic or technical means within the United States without the consent of the subject thereof without prior written authorization of the Attorney General. For the purposes of this order, the monitoring of a conversation with the consent of one of the parties shall not be deemed surveillance.
- (c) Testing of electronic surveillance and monitoring equipment within the United States without consent of the persons monitored unless:
  - (i) it is technically impractical to test such surveillance and monitoring equipment in a manner that would include consent:
  - (ii) the authorization of the Attorney General is obtained;
  - (iii) the date collected is disclosed only to test engineers and is destroyed immediately upon termination of the test;

- (d) Any opening of mail
  - (i) within the United States; or
  - (ii) elsewhere if the mail is addressed to or sent by United States citizens.
- (e) The examination of envelopes in the United States

unless:

- (i) such examination is performed in strict compliance with United States postal laws and regulations;
- (ii) such examination is certified in writing by
  the Director of Central Intelligence as necessary
  for foreign intelligence or foreign counterintelligence
  purposes; and
- (iii) the identity of the official recommending such action to the DCI and the reasons supporting such recommendation shall appear clearly in the records of the recommending agency, the Director of Central Intelligence, and the United States Postal Service.
- (f) Preparation of psychological, medical or any other types of evaluative profiles on United States citizens other than applicants for employment, current employees, or United States citizens under the physical control of foreign elements, or, to the extent necessary to determine their credibility, volunteer sources of intelligence information.

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- (g) Participation in law enforcement activities or funding of any law enforcement agency within the United States except as may be explicitly authorized by law. Provided, that this prohibition shall not preclude.
  - agency and appropriate law enforcement agencies for the purpose of protecting the personnel and facilities of the foreign intelligence agency or preventing espionage or other criminal activity related to foreign intelligence or foreign counterintelligence;
  - (ii) provision of specialized quipment or technical knowledge developed in the course of foreign intelligence activities, for use by any other Federal department or agency.
- (h) Overseas intelligence-related operations other than those intended solely for obtaining necessary foreign intelligence and foreign counterintelligence, unless each such operation shall have been specifically approved by the President and determined, as required by law, to be important to the national security of the United States.
- (i) Collection of intelligence within the United States from United States citizens who are not knowingly and voluntarily providing the intelligence to the agency involved. When collection of foreign intelligence APRIONET FOR PROPERTY States

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citizens results in the incidental reception of information from unknowing citizens, however, the receiving agency shall be permitted to make appropriate use of disposition of such information

SECTION III. The activities of the Central Intelligence Agency shall relate only to foreign intelligence or foreign counterintelligence.

CLARIFYING THE RESPONSIBILITY OF THE DIRECTOR OF CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE TO PROTECT SOURCES AND METHODS OF FOREIGN INTELLIGENCE

By virtue of the authority vested in me as President of the United States, it is hereby ordered as follows:

SECTION I. In discharging his responsibility for the protection of sources and methods of foreign intelligence from unauthorized disclosure under 50 U.S.C. § 403(d)(3), the Director of Central Intelligence:

- (a) shall ensure, through leadership, direction (including promulgation of regulations), and guidance, that appropriate policies and procedures are developed to properly protect sensitive intelligence sources and methods; and
- (b) in the event of a disclosure or threatened disclosure within the United States of sources or methods of foreign intelligence shall only:
- (1) as appropriate, use lawful means to prevent, or discover the circumstances surrounding, such disclosure by present or former employees of the Central Intelligence Agency or persons,

Approved For Release 2004/10/28: CIA-RDP80M01066A000800250008-1 or employees of persons or organizations presently or formerly under contract with the Gentral Intelligence Agency, but only with respect to information obtained by such persons or employees as a result of such employment;

- (2) provide direction, guidance or technical assistance to other executive branch departments and agencies from which
  a disclosure may have occurred or be threatened; and
- (3) in cases involving continuing security violations, recommend to the Attorney General that the case be referred to the Federal Bureau of Investigation for investigation.
- SECTION 2. The head of each organization of the foreign intelligence community shall:
- (a) protect foreign intelligence sources and methods within such department or agency;
- (b) establish appropriate internal policies and procedures consistent with the guidance and direction of the Director of Central Intelligence to prevent unauthorized disclosure of intelligence sources and methods from such organization; and
- (c) as appropriate, and through lawful means, prevent, or discover the circumstances surrounding, such disclosure or threatened disclosure from within such organization.